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Hon'ble High court has stayed the implementation of the order issued by the Central Information Commission, on a writ filed by the UPSC.

(c) No, Sir. The UPSC recommends the candidates for appointment. While doing so, it specifies the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC, who qualify at the general standards. Department of Personnel and Training allots the service to the recommended candidates as per rules. The candidates qualifying at general standards are allotted against the general seats; however, they are at times also allotted against the reserved seats if, by this process, they would get a service of a higher choice in the order of their preference.

Creation of employment opportunities

†2497. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no new employment opportunities are created in the country from 1994 to 2001 whereas in the said period the annual growth rate remained around 5.3%;

(b) if so, the fact in this regard; and

(c) the reasons for non-creation of additional employment opportunities according to annual growth rate in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) As per estimates available from National Sample Surveys (NSS) on employment and unemployment, employment opportunities on Usual Principal Status basis have increased 1.70 per annum during 1993-94 and 2000-01. The annual growth rate of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was 6.3% during the same period.

(c) Growth rate of GDP is not dependent only on labour. Rather it depends on many factors like land, capital and changes in technology etc. Therefore, growth in employment may not necessarily be same as annual growth rate in the country.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi